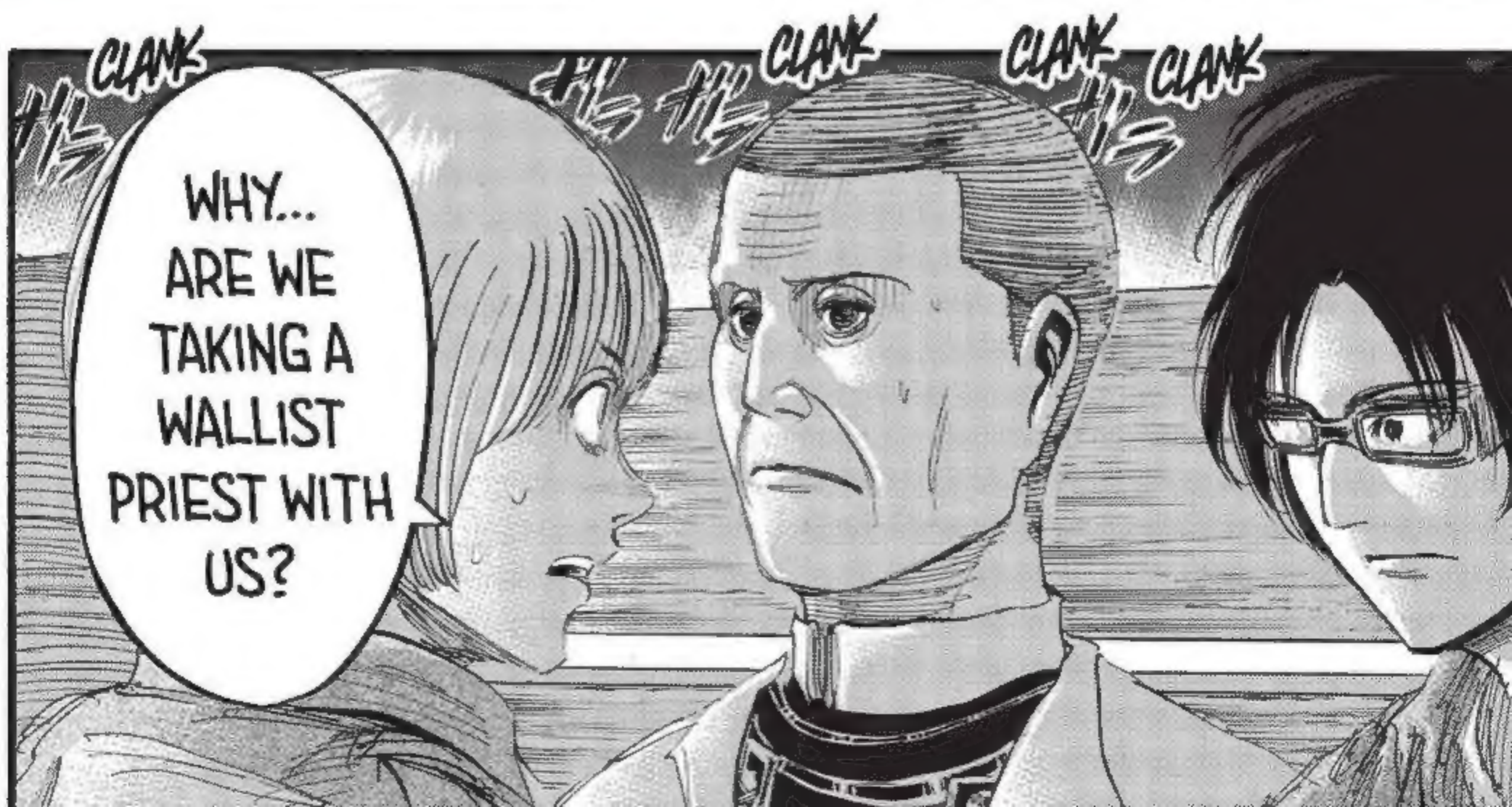
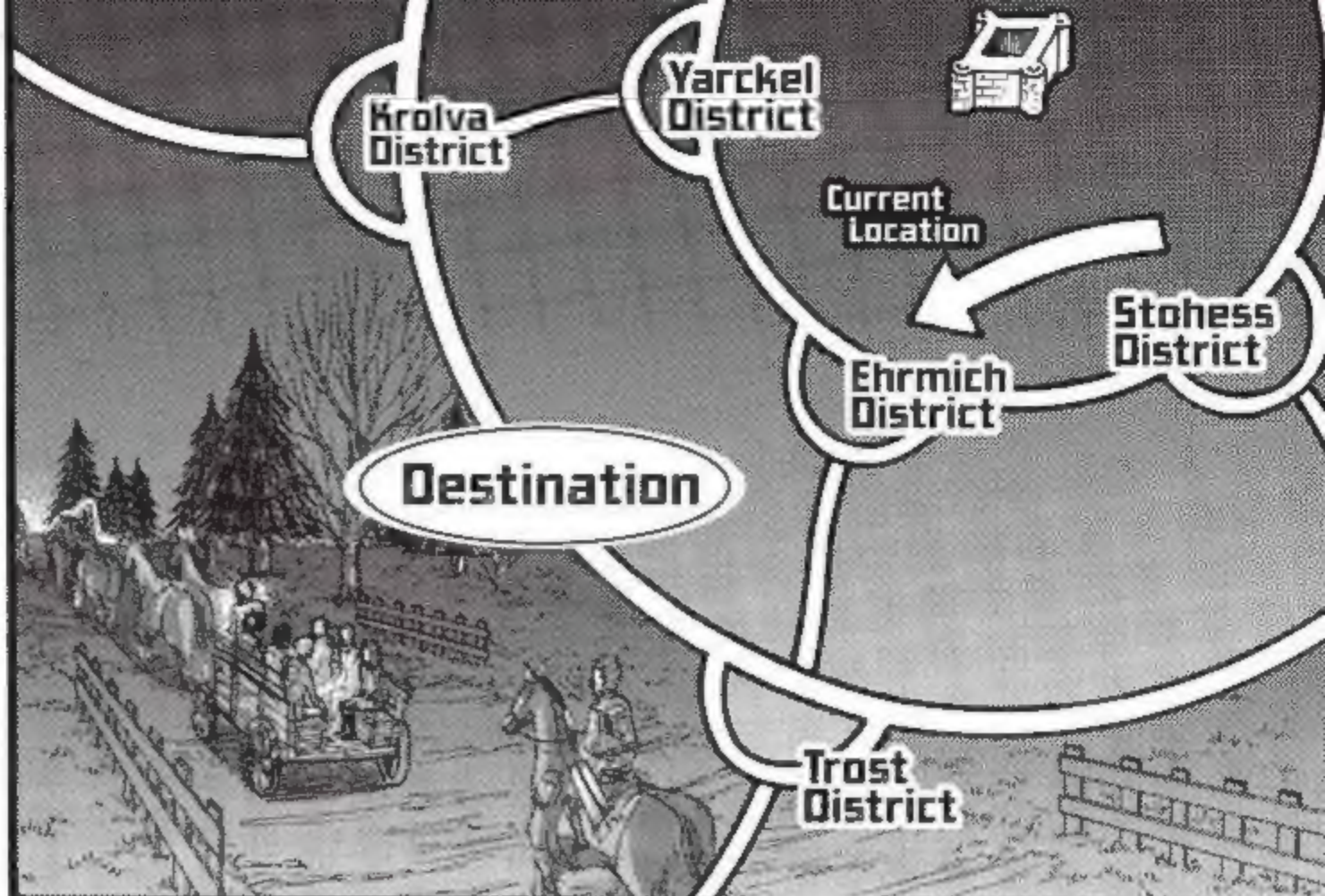




SIXTEEN
HOURS
AFTER
THE
TITANS
WERE
SPOTTED

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HOW
COULD
ANYTHING
BE MORE
IMPORTANT
THAN KEEPING
HUMANITY FROM
BEING WIPED
OUT?

IF
THERE'S
SOMETHING
YOU KNOW,
PLEASE,
JUST TELL
US...



BUT
THAT'S...
RIDICU-
LOUS.

WAIT,
WAIT...



BUT
ON THE
OTHER
HAND,
PERHAPS
...

THE MINISTER
LOOKS LIKE A
RIGHTEOUS MAN
OF GOOD
JUDGMENT...

I
WONDER
...



...THAN
THE
EXTINC-
TION OF
HUMAN-
ITY...

THERE
REALLY IS
SOMETHING
MORE
IMPORTANT
TO HIM...



THERE
ARE A LOT
OF WAYS TO
ASK A
QUESTION
...

KACH



BUT I
WONDER
ABOUT THE
OTHER
BELIEVERS
...

HARD
TO IMAGINE
THOSE
BASTARDS
HAVE ALL
GOT THE
SAME KIND
OF WILL-
POWER.

WELL...
I GUESS
HE'S
GOT
SOME
GUTS.



I...WOULD
SINCERELY
LIKE TO AVOID
SEEING A HOLE
THOUGHTLESSLY
BLOWN THROUGH
SOMEONE'S BODY.
I BELIEVE WE
BOTH DO.

I MAY
NOT BE OF
MUCH USE
RIGHT NOW...
BUT I CAN AT
LEAST KEEP
AN EYE
ON ONE
MINISTER.



I DIDN'T
THINK YOU HAD
ANY HOBBIES SO
DREARY AS
PLAYING WITH
ROCKS.

?


BUT
NEVER
MIND
THAT...
HANGE?






THIS IS
A FRAGMENT
OF THE
FEMALE
TITAN'S
HARDENED
SKIN THAT
SHE LEFT
BEHIND.

THIS
ISN'T
JUST A
ROCK...

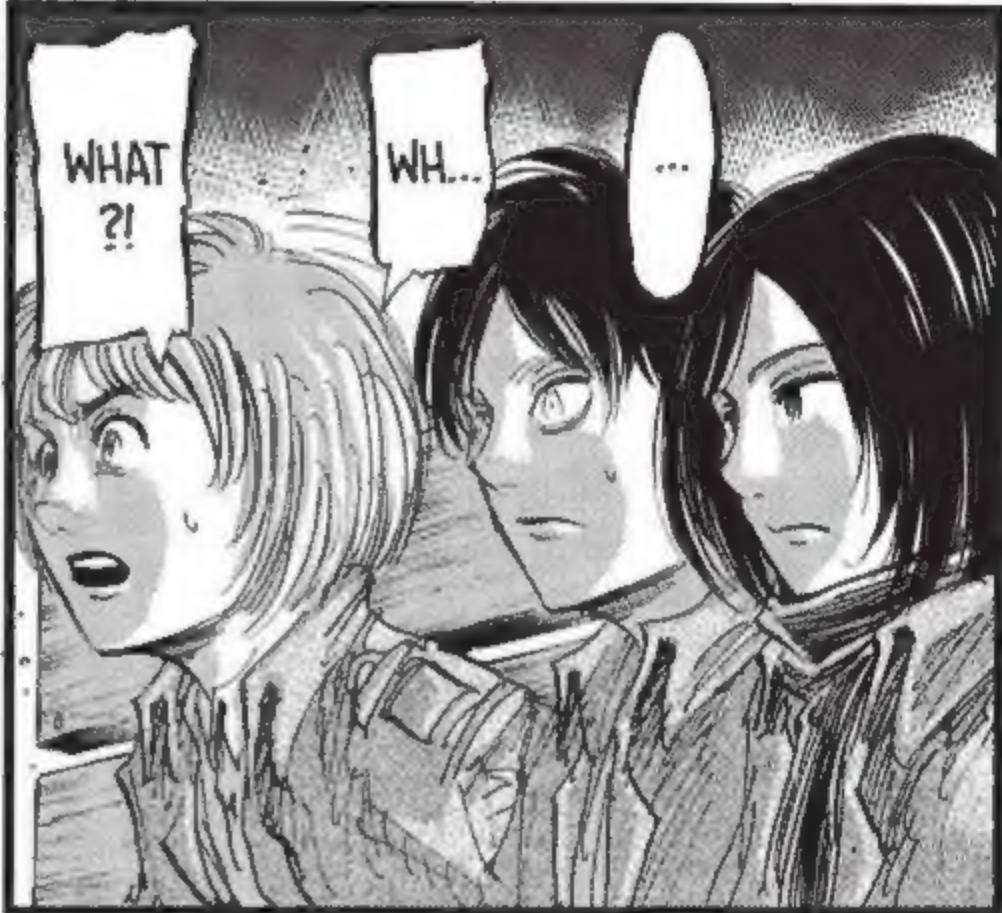


WELL...
YOU'RE
RIGHT.



THAT'S
RIGHT!


IT'S
STILL
HERE
?!



WHAT
?!

WH...

...



AND
IT'S
NOT
DISAP-
PEAR-
ING.

IT'S
NOT
EVAPO-
RAT-
ING...

WELL,
JUST
LOOK!

EVEN AFTER
ANNIE TURNED
BACK INTO A
HUMAN AND WAS
DETACHED FROM
HER TITAN
BODY...



AND
WHEN I
COMPARED IT TO
A FRAGMENT OF
THE **WALL**, THE
TWO WERE VERY
SIMILAR, DOWN TO
THEIR PHYSICAL
STRUCTURES.

SQUAD
LEADER!
PLEASE
HURRY!

IT
GAVE
ME AN
IDEA...



IN OTHER
WORDS, THE
CENTRAL PILLARS
OF THAT WALL
WERE COLOSSUS
TITANS, AND ITS
SURFACE WAS
MADE UP OF
THEIR HARDENED
SKIN.



THEN
....!

T...



AH...!

IT'S
REALLY...
EXACTLY
AS ARMIN
SAID.



AS THINGS
STAND, IT'S GOING
TO BE VERY DIFFICULT
TO SEAL THE
DESTROYED SECTION
OF WALL ROSE...



...?

AS LONG
AS THERE
ISN'T A CONVEN-
IENTLY-SIZED
BOULDER TO
STOP UP THE
HOLE, THAT
IS...



LET ME
SAY IT,
ARMIN!

PFT
...?!

HOLD
IT!



EREN
TRANSFORMED
INTO A TITAN...

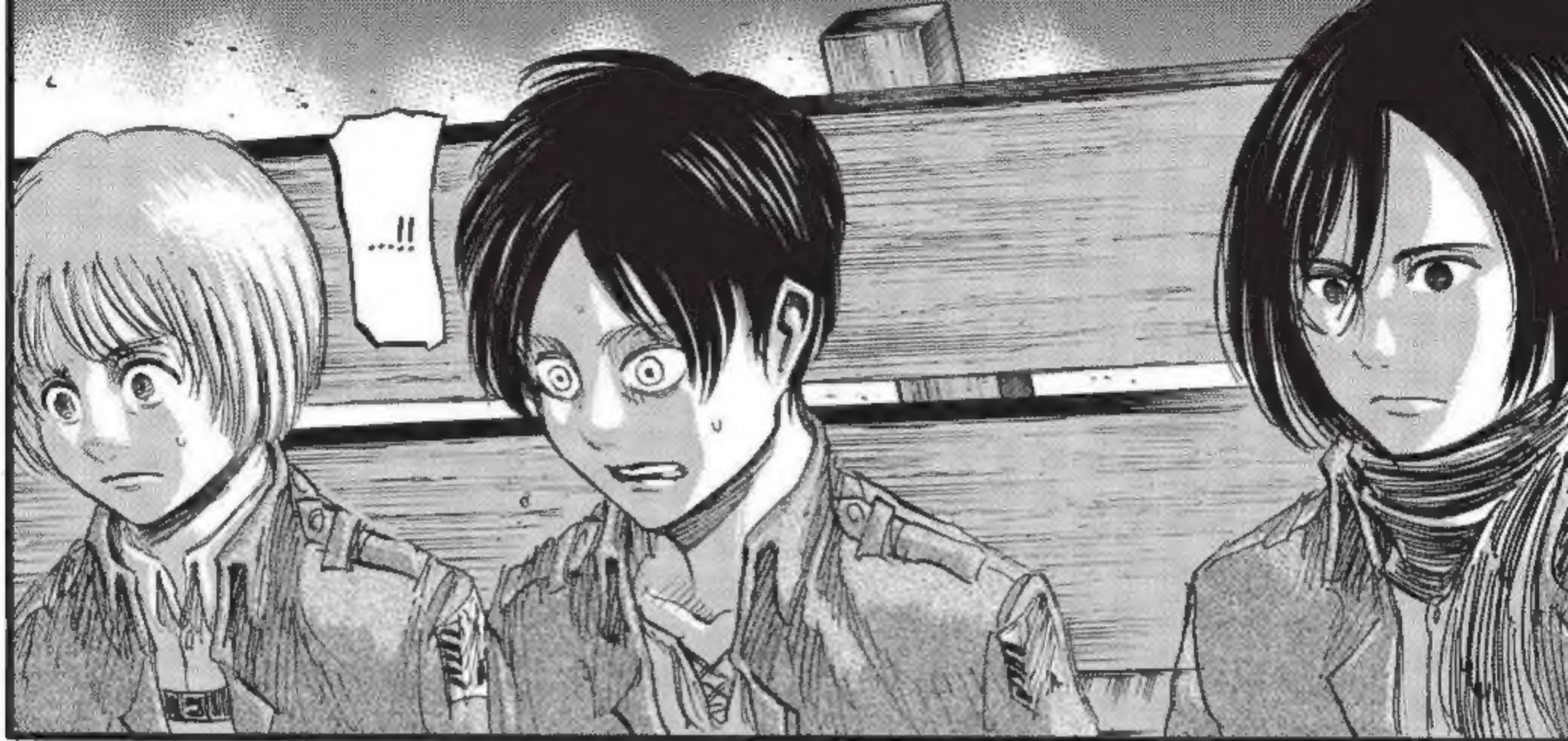
WHAT
IF...

BUT,



TO SEAL
THE HOLE
IN THE
WALL?

AND
USED THE
TITANS'
HARDENING
ABILITIES
...

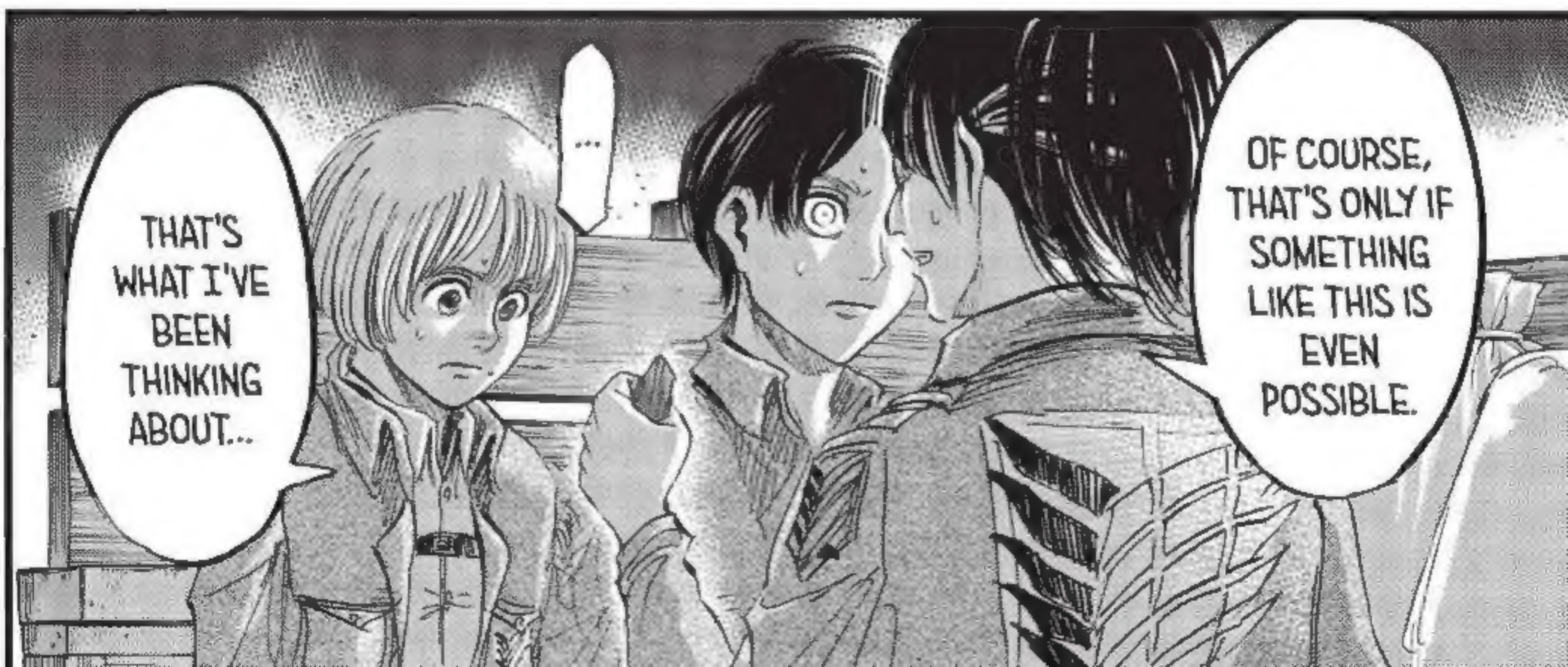


IF YOU
CAN LEAVE
BEHIND YOUR
PETRIFIED
TITAN'S BODY
WITHOUT IT
EVAPORATING
AFTER YOU TURN
HUMAN, THEN
JUST MAYBE
...

THE
MATERIAL
IT'S MADE
OF SHOULD
BE THE
SAME...



USE
ME... TO
SEAL THE
WALL...?!



THAT'S
WHAT I'VE
BEEN
THINKING
ABOUT...

OF COURSE,
THAT'S ONLY IF
SOMETHING
LIKE THIS IS
EVEN
POSSIBLE.

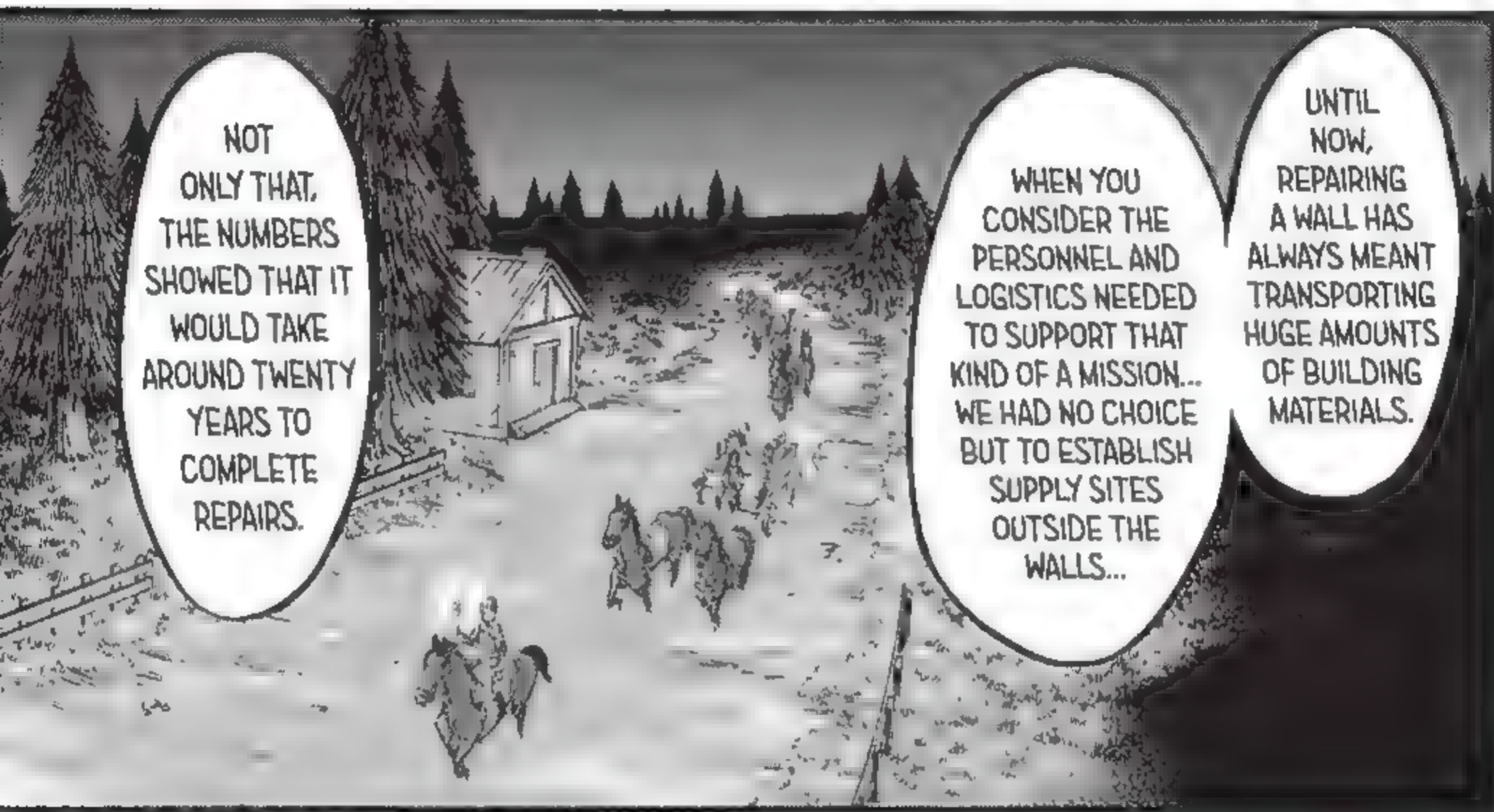


THEN
THERE'S
HOPE FOR
RETAKING
WALL
MARIA,
TOO.

AND
IF HE
CAN DO
IT MORE
THAN
ONCE ...



I THINK
IT'S
DEFI-
NITELY A
GAMBLE
WORTH
TAKING...



NOT
ONLY THAT,
THE NUMBERS
SHOWED THAT IT
WOULD TAKE
AROUND TWENTY
YEARS TO
COMPLETE
REPAIRS.

WHEN YOU
CONSIDER THE
PERSONNEL AND
LOGISTICS NEEDED
TO SUPPORT THAT
KIND OF A MISSION...
WE HAD NO CHOICE
BUT TO ESTABLISH
SUPPLY SITES
OUTSIDE THE
WALLS...

UNTIL
NOW,
REPAIRING
A WALL HAS
ALWAYS MEANT
TRANSPORTING
HUGE AMOUNTS
OF BUILDING
MATERIALS.



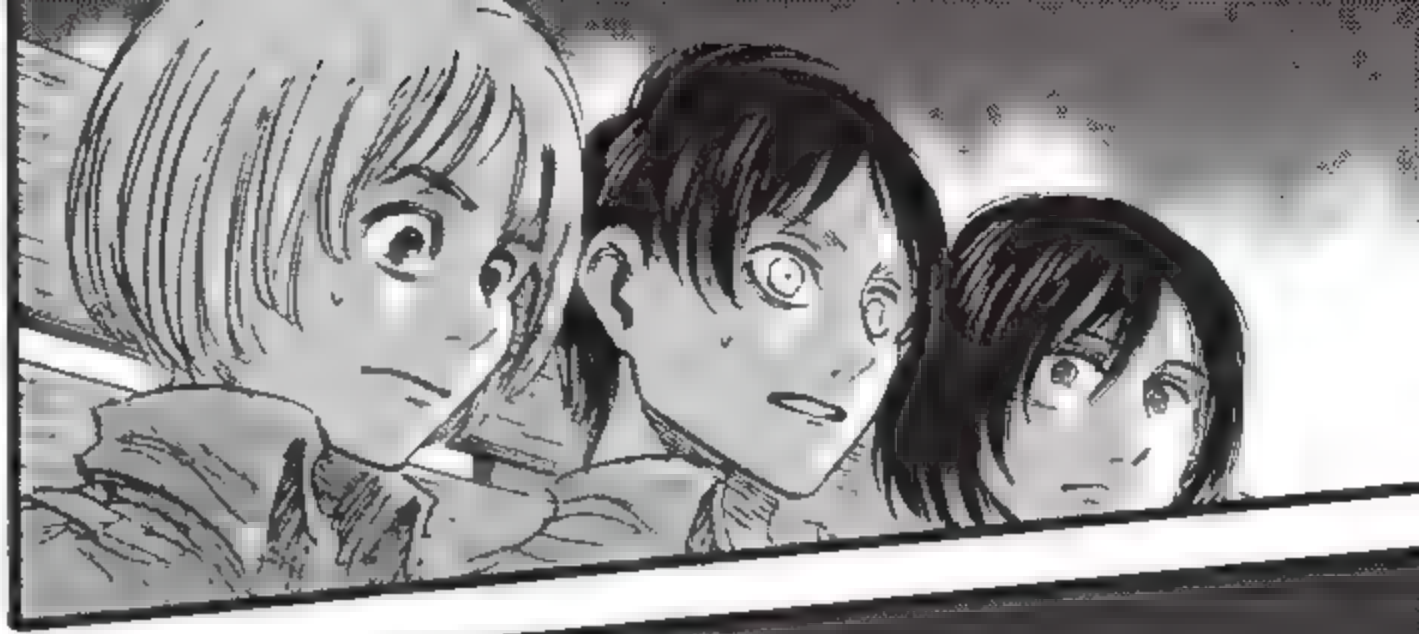
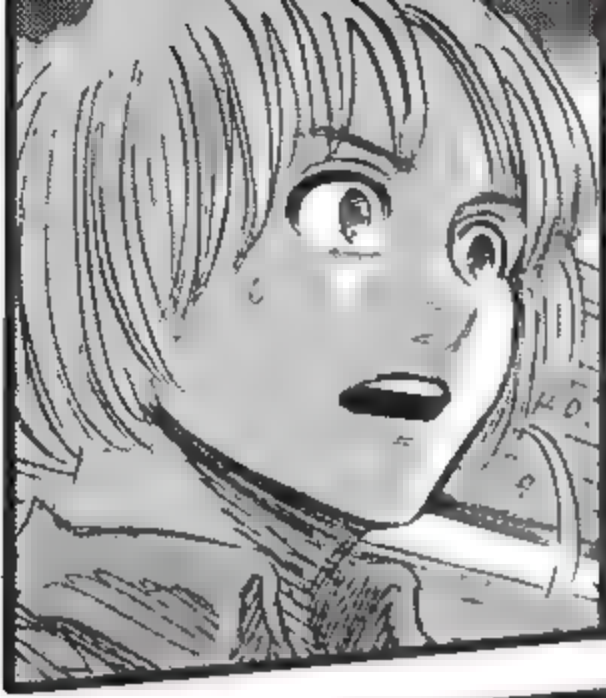
WITH
JUST A
SMALL
SQUAD, WE
MIGHT BE
ABLE TO GET
STRAIGHT
TO WALL
MARIA.

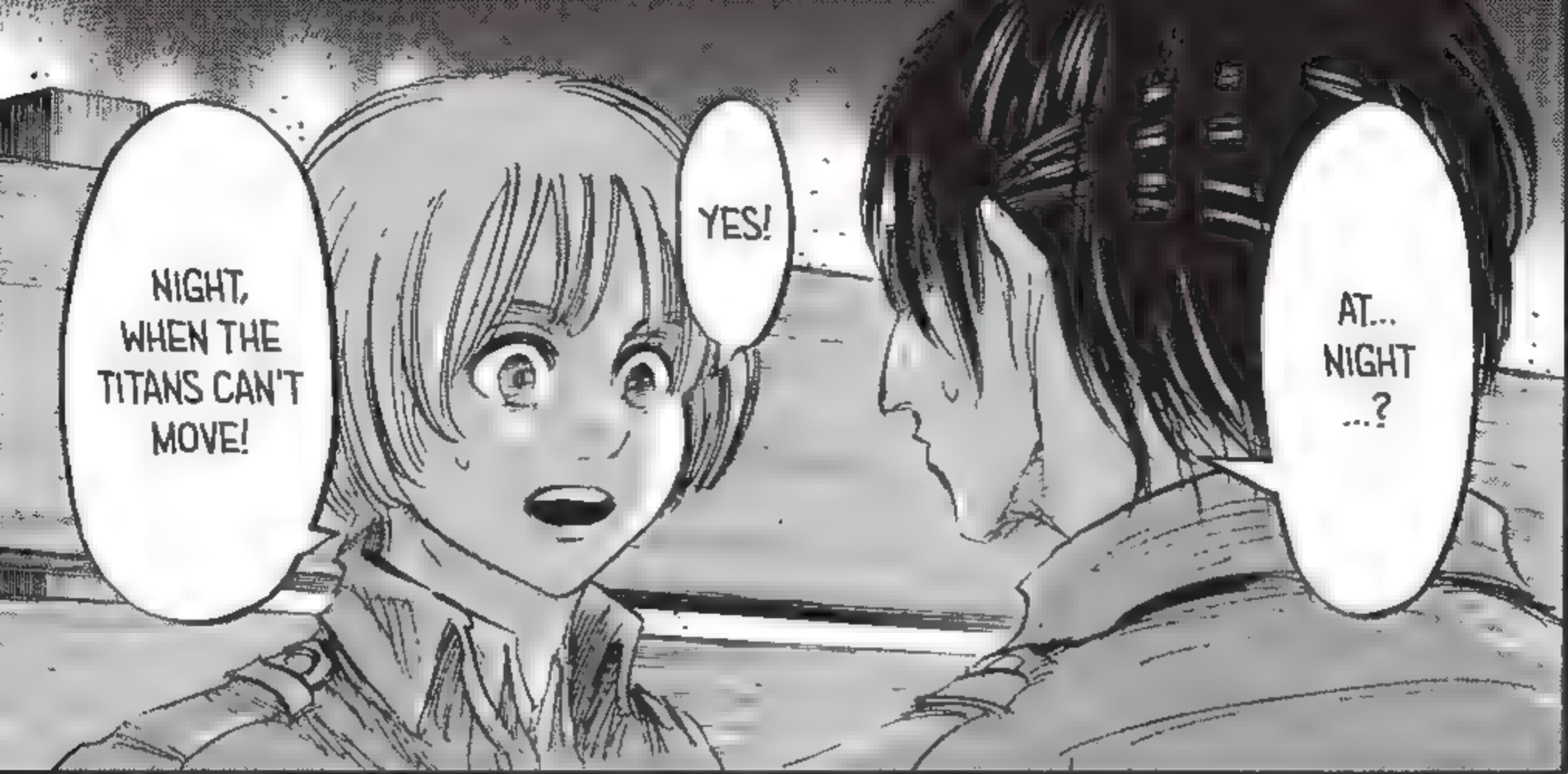
I
SEE
...



AND I
THINK WE
COULD
EVEN HEAD
STRAIGHT
FOR
SHIGAN-
SHINA
DISTRICT,
AT TOP
SPEED!

BUT
TAKE AWAY
THE NEED
FOR WAGON
ESCORTS
...





NIGHT,
WHEN THE
TITANS CAN'T
MOVE!

YES!

AT...
NIGHT
...?



...WE
MIGHT
MAKE IT
TO WALL
MARIA BY
DAWN!

EVEN
AT A
SLOWER
PACE...
WITH A
SMALLER
GROUP...

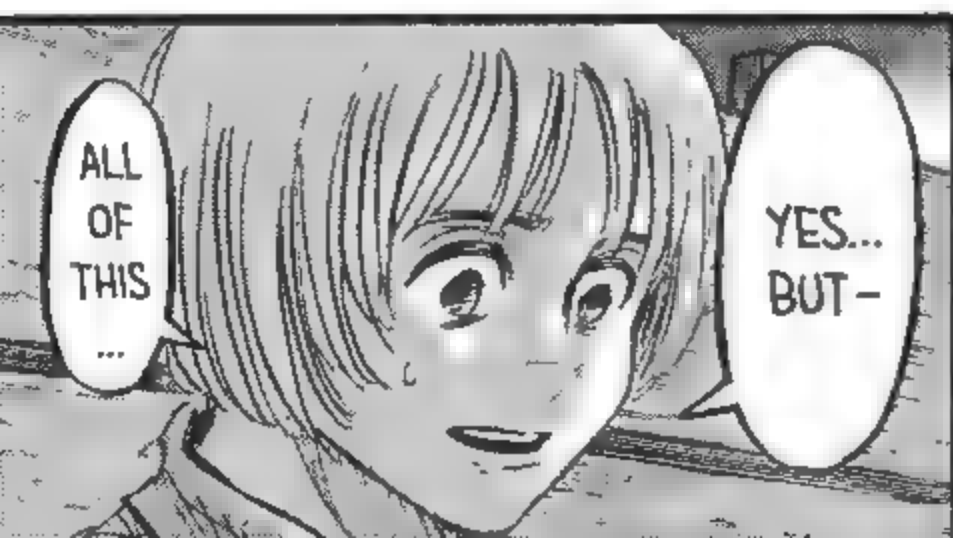


WE CAN'T
GET THERE
AT FULL
SPEED ON
HORSES BY
TORCHLIGHT
ALONE,
BUT...



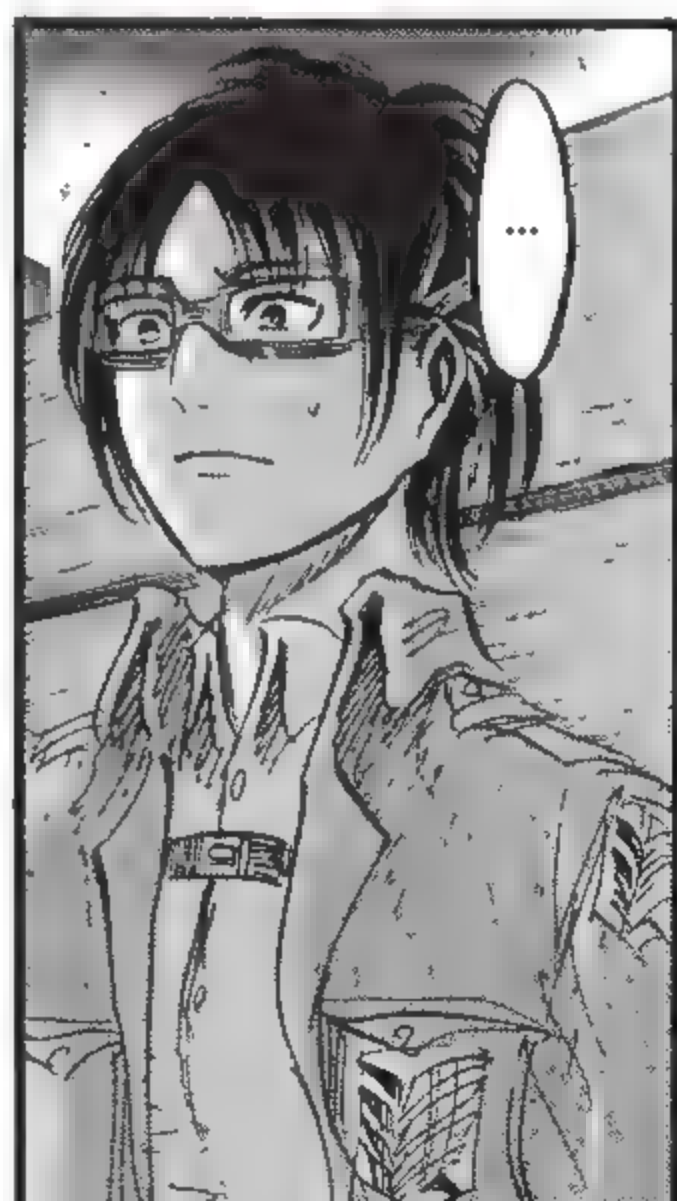
I GUESS
WE CAN
STILL FIND
HOPE,
HUH?

EVEN IN
MOMENTS
OF THE
DEEPEST
DESPAIR
...

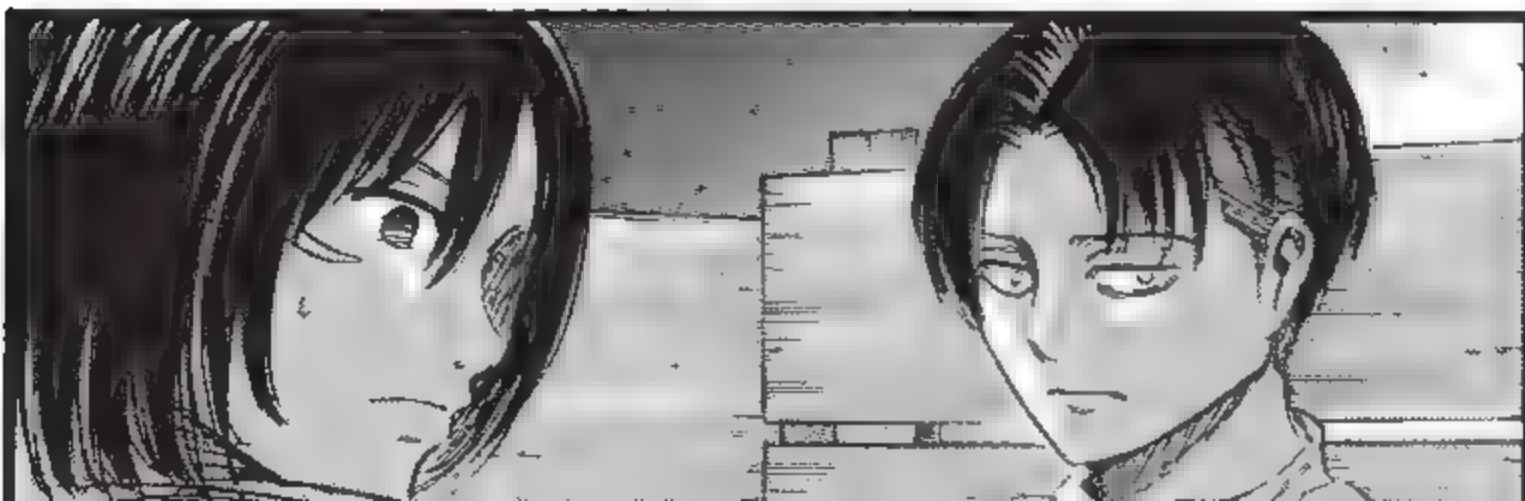
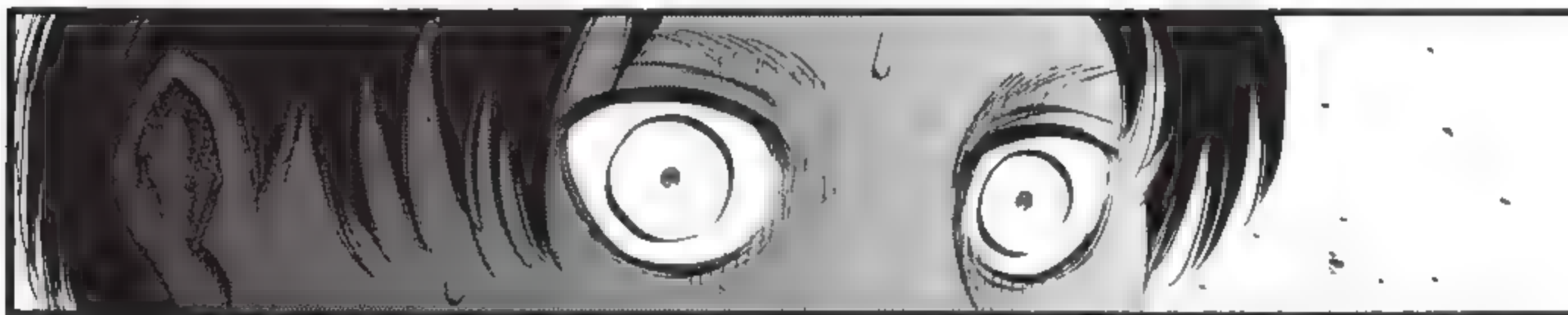
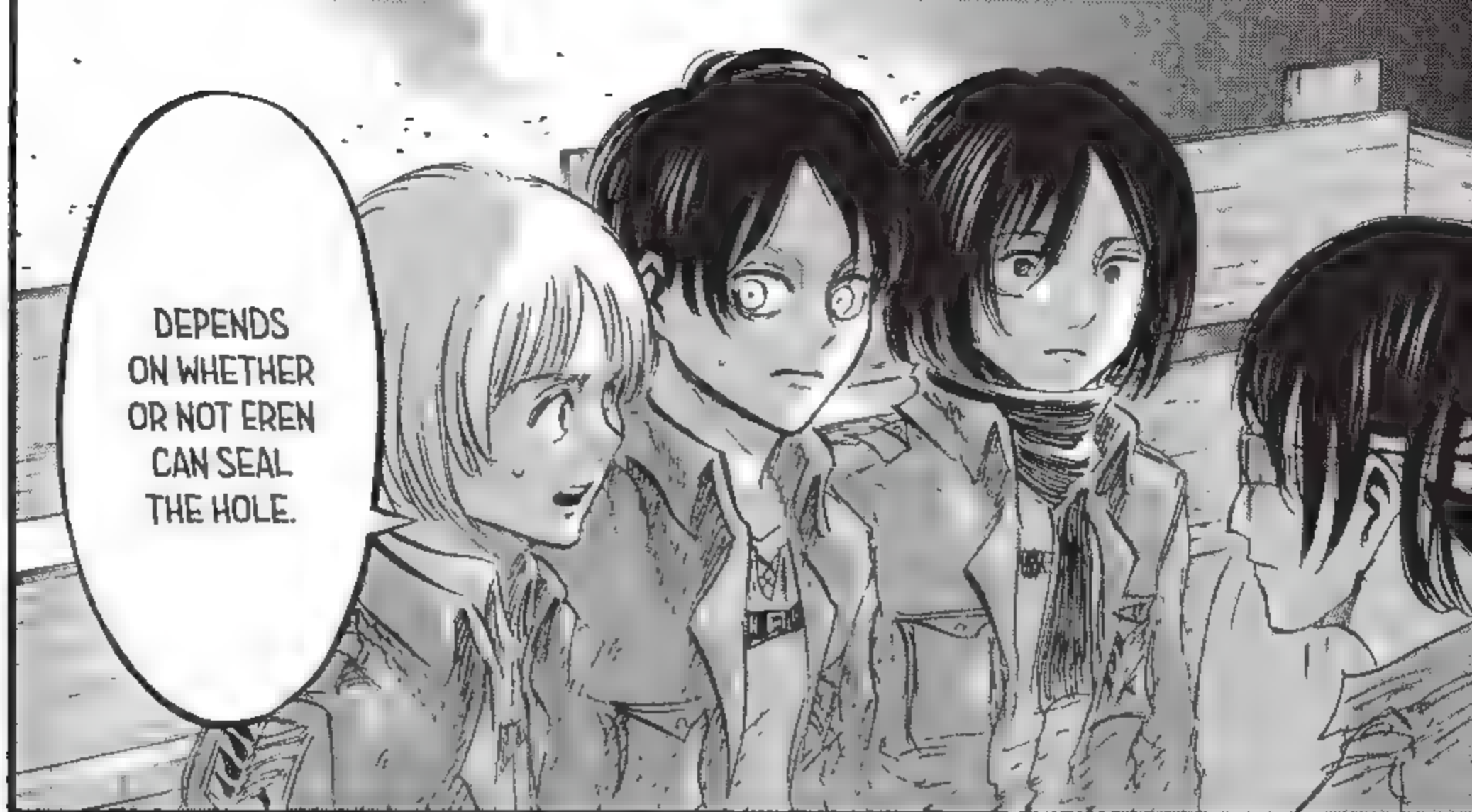


ALL
OF THIS
...

YES...
BUT -



...







**I WILL
SEAL
THAT
HOLE!**



**I
HAVE
TO...**



IF **SHE**
COULD DO IT...



THERE'S NO REASON
I CAN'T USE IT TOO.



THAT ABILITY
ANNIE USED...



WE'LL
GO TO THE
BASEMENT.

AND
ONCE
WE'VE
REPAIRED
WALL
MARIA...



FIRST...
WE'LL GO
PLUG WALL
ROSE...

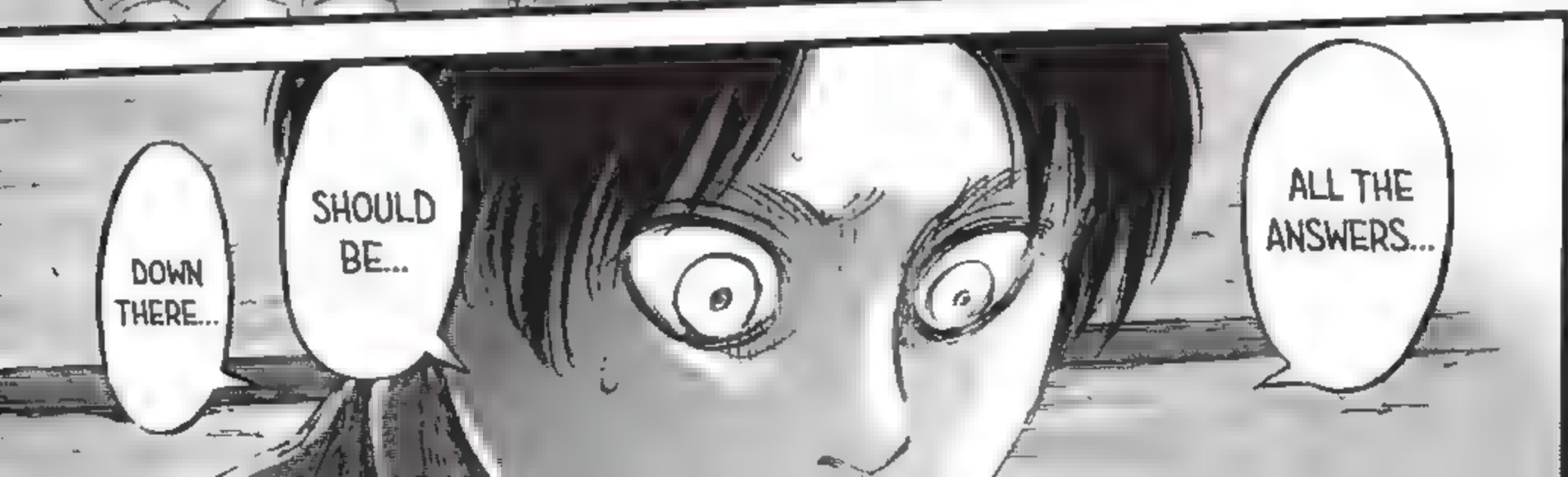
UGH...
I'M SICK
OF NOT
KNOWING
WHAT'S
GOING
ON...



MAYBE
IT'LL EVEN
TELL ME
WHERE HE
WENT...



IF
EVERYTHING
HE SAID WAS
THERE IS
REALLY
THERE ...



DOWN
THERE...

SHOULD
BE...

ALL THE
ANSWERS...



I'LL KNOW
EXACTLY WHO
TO POINT ALL
THIS ANGER
AT...

AND
THEN
I'LL
KNOW...



WE'RE
ALMOST
TO
EHRMICH
DISTRICT.



AH...



JUST KEEP
WRACKING
YOUR BRAIN
TOGETHER
WITH HANGE.

UNDER-
STAND,
ARMIN?

Y...
YES,
SIR!



ERWIN HAS
DECIDED ALL
OF YOU WILL
MAKE UP AN
IMPROVISED
TEAM.

SO THIS IS
IT FOR THE
MINISTER AND
ME... I'LL
LEAVE THE
REST TO
YOU.



OF
COURSE.

YES,
SIR!



MIKASA...
USE ALL YOUR
SKILLS TO
PROTECT
EREN!



I...DON'T
KNOW WHY
YOU'RE SO
ATTACHED TO
EREN...



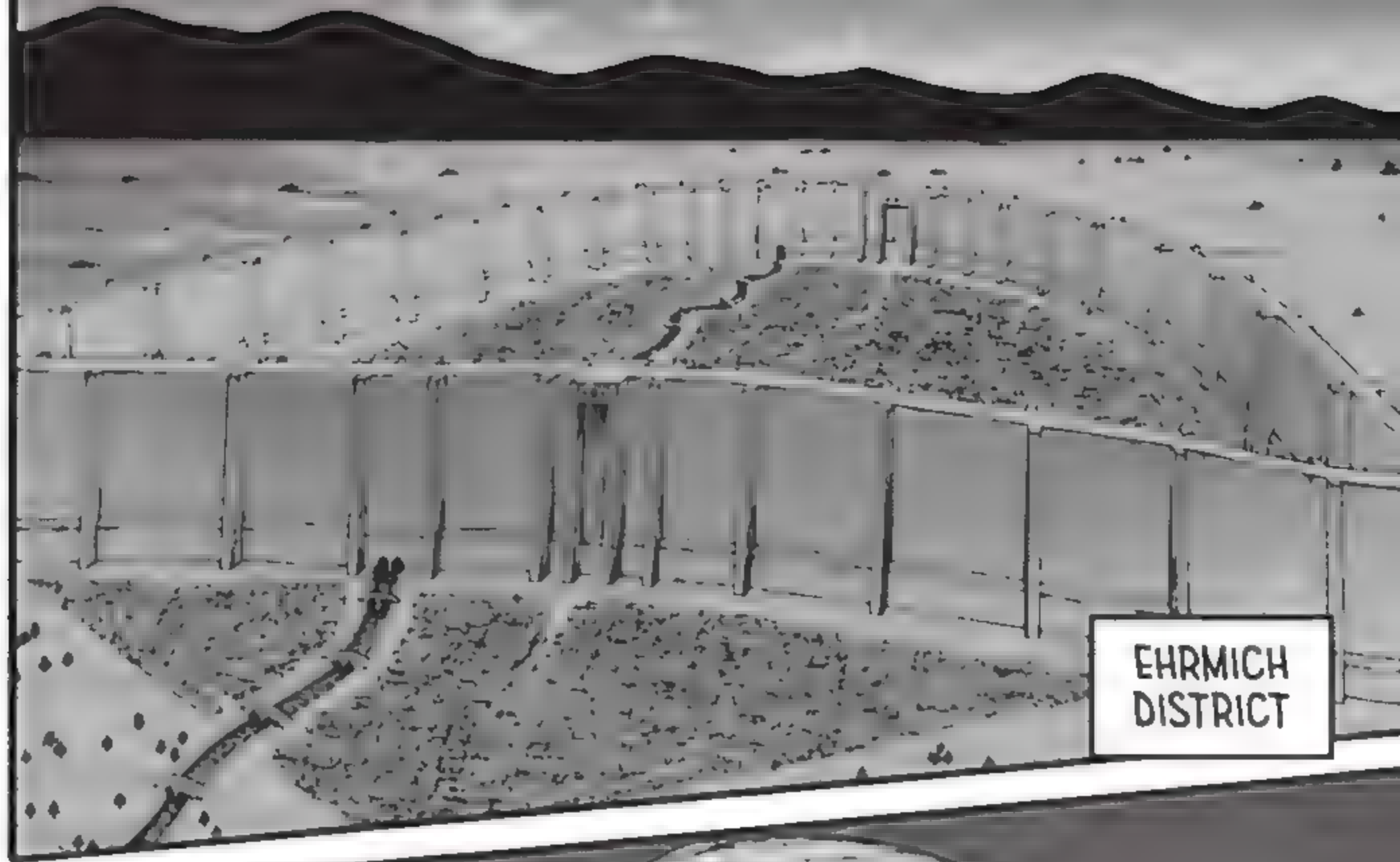
DON'T
MESS
UP
AGAIN.

...?

BUT
CONTROL
YOURSELF.

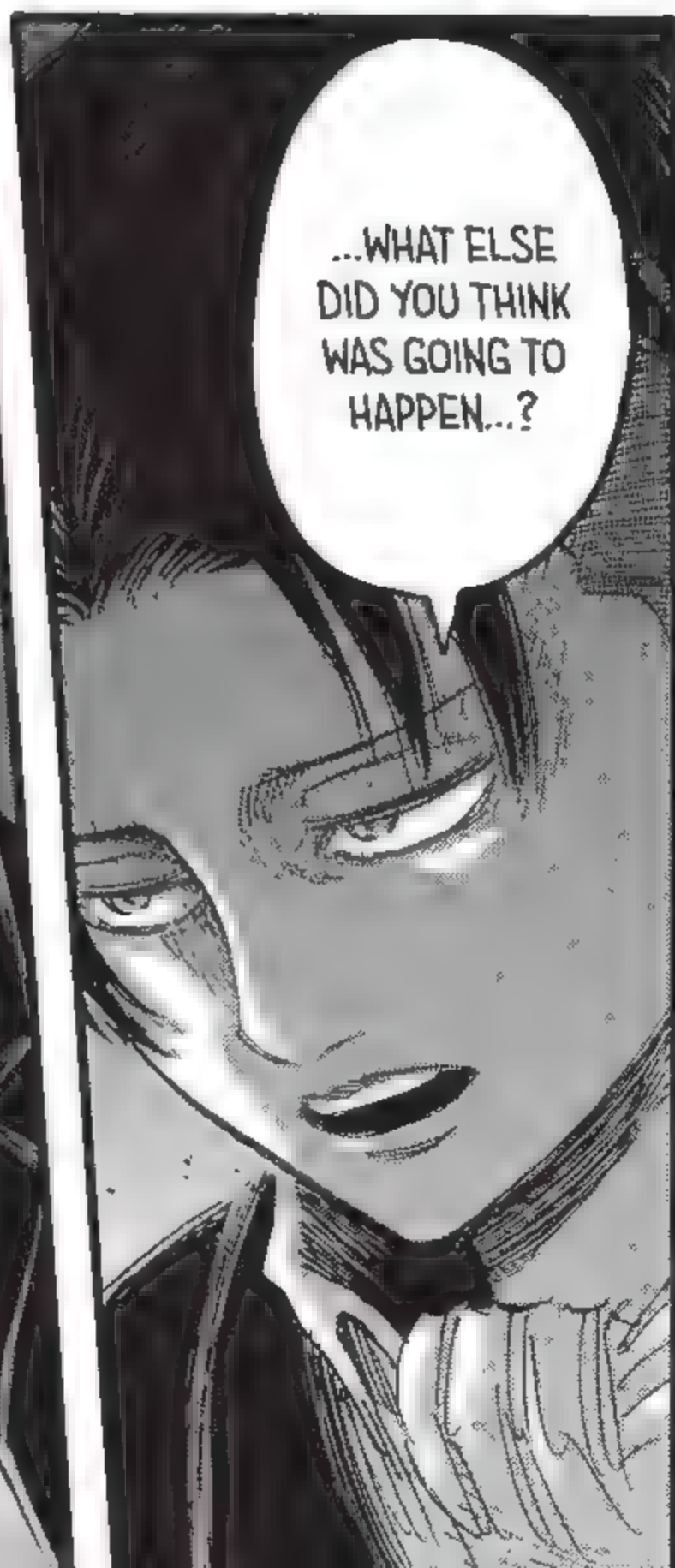
OF
COURSE.

...YES,
SIR.

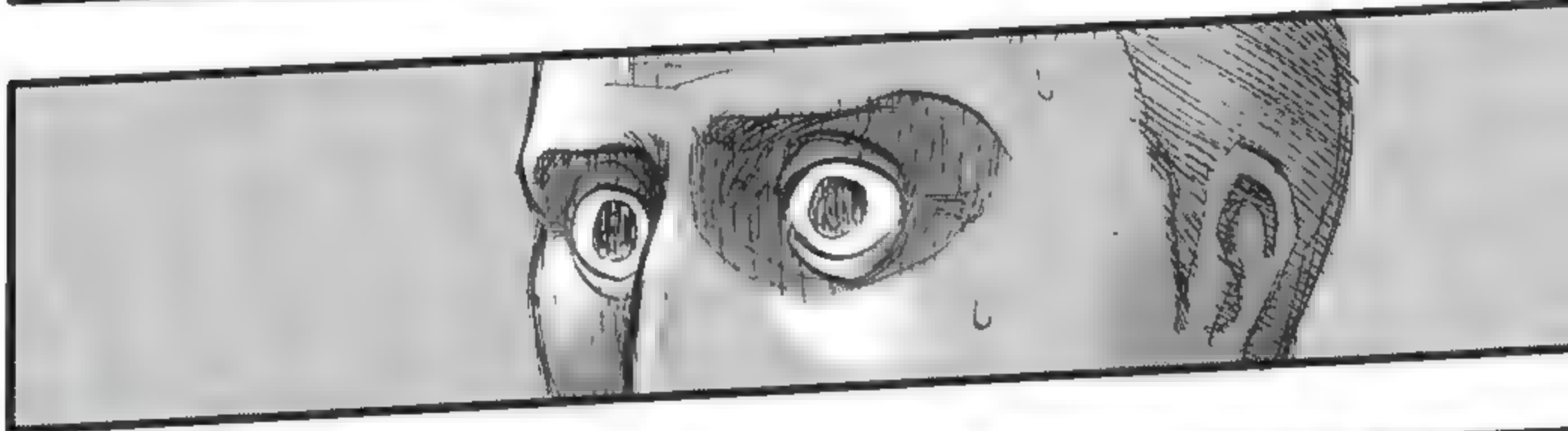



EHRMICH
DISTRICT



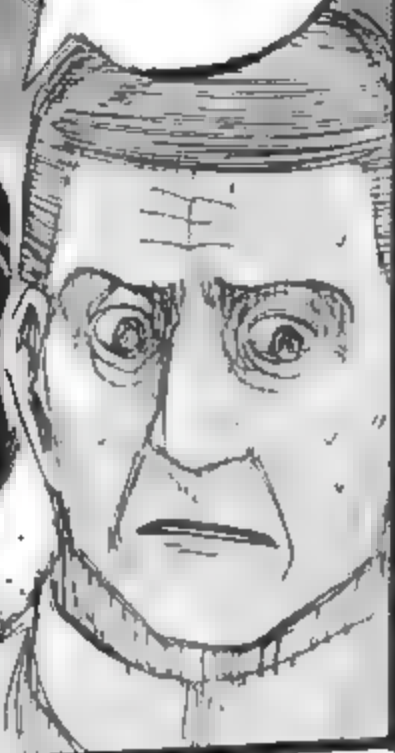








THEY
MAY BE
GRIPPED WITH
FEAR AND
INSECURITY
RIGHT NOW,
BUT...




DIRECT
YOUR PIOUS
GAZE TO THE
LOOKS ON THE
FACES OF THESE
FOLKS WHO'VE
LOST THEIR
HOMES...



THOSE
ARE THE
PEOPLE YOU
AND YOUR
FOLLOWERS
WANT TO SEND
TO THEIR
DEATHS...



IS IT
A LITTLE
DIFFERENT
FROM THE
DELUSIONS
YOU SPREAD
IN YOUR
CHURCH?




THIS ISN'T WHAT
THEIR FACES WILL
LOOK LIKE IN THE
END. IN THE END,
THEY'LL ALL BE
THE SAME.

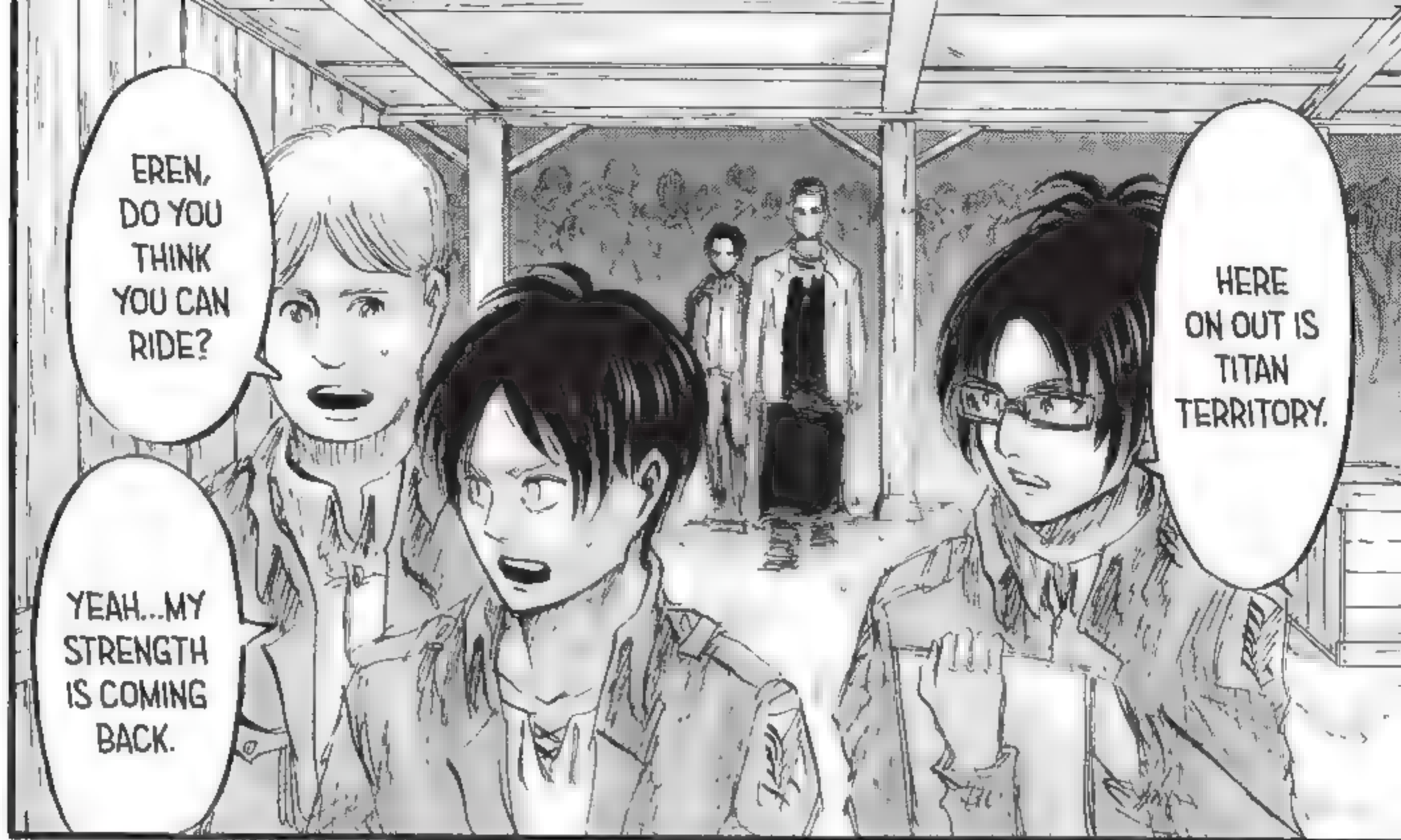
IF YOU PEOPLE
GET WHAT YOU
WANT, AND TITANS
POUR THROUGH
THE WALLS...



AND
ALL OF
HUMANITY
WILL BE
**ONE
FLOCK.**



THEY'LL
BE INSIDE A
TITAN'S PUTRID
MOUTH, EXPERI-
ENCING THE WORST
TORTURE KNOWN TO
HUMANITY AS
THEY DIE.



EREN,
DO YOU
THINK
YOU CAN
RIDE?

YEAH...MY
STRENGTH
IS COMING
BACK.

HERE
ON OUT IS
TITAN
TERRITORY.



HURRY

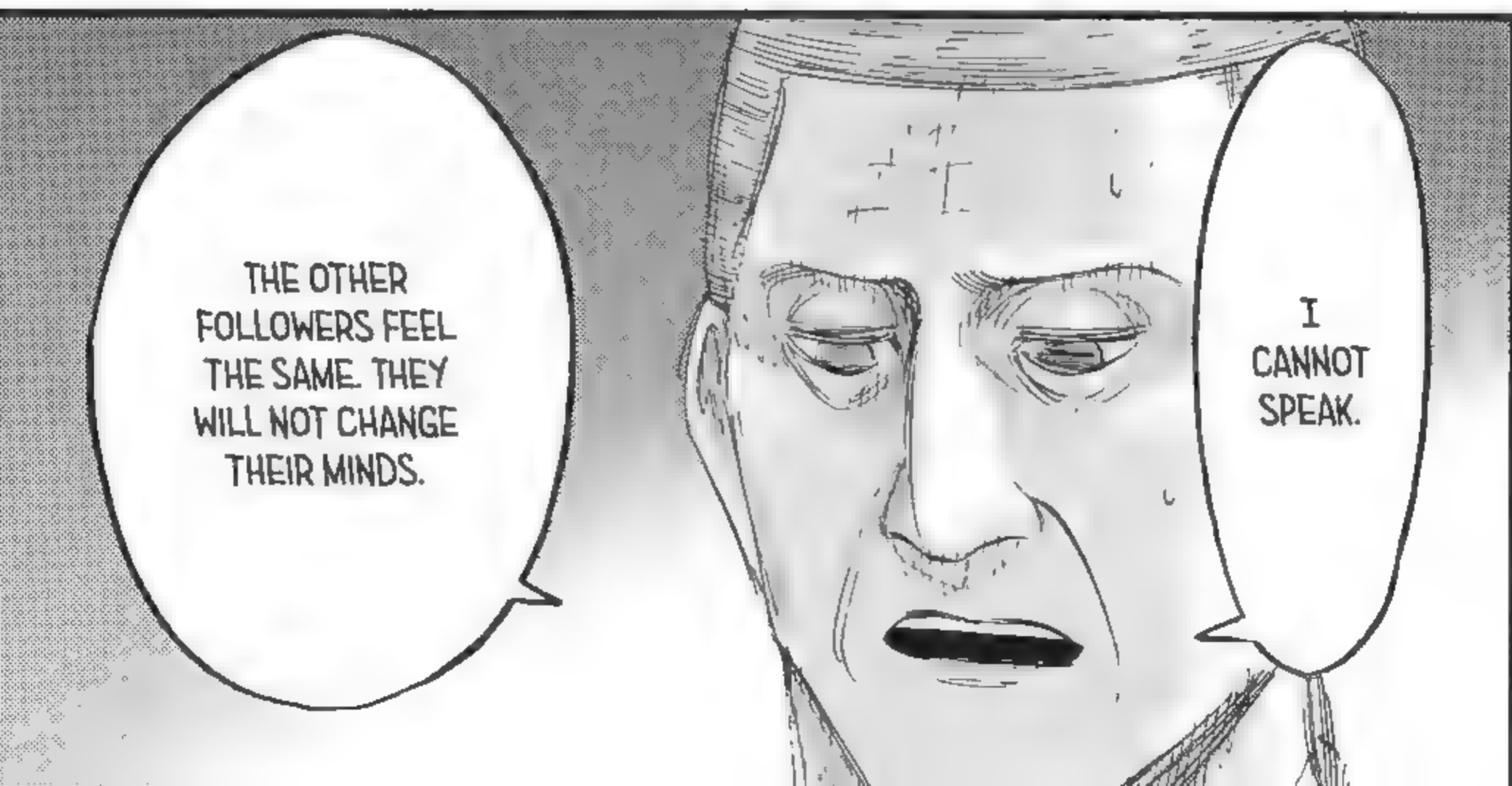
THERE'S
A HORSE
READY FOR
YOU AT THE
WEST
LIFT.

...



ONE
SECOND,
MOBLIT...

SQUAD
LEADER,
WE HAVE
TO GO.







AND IS
IN HIDING,
UNDER A
FALSE
NAME.

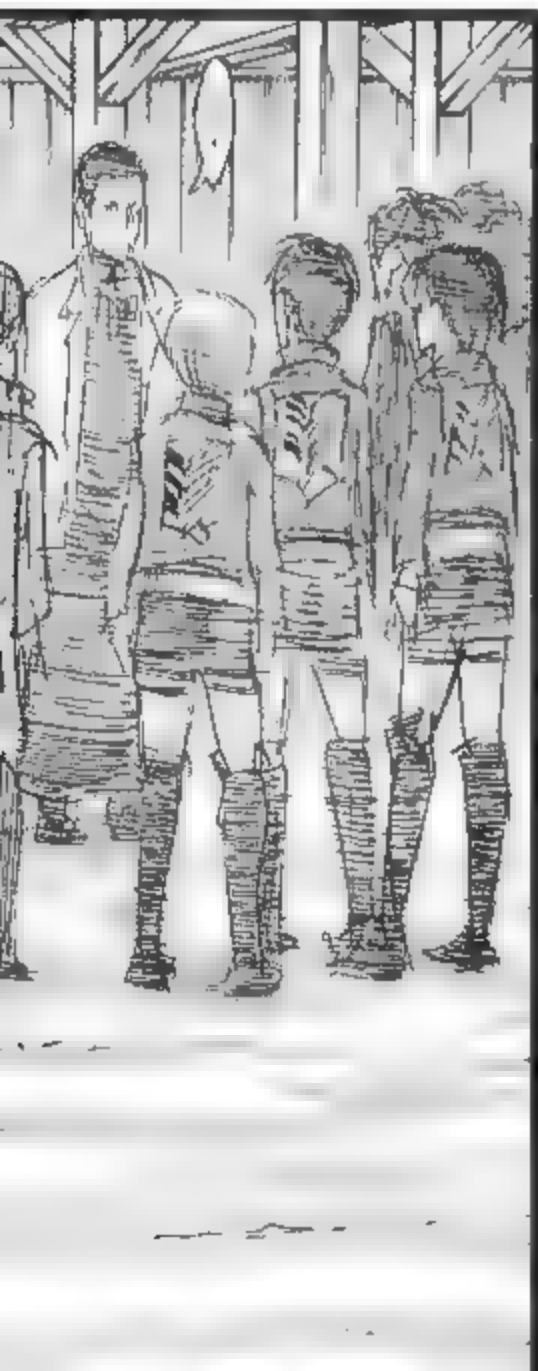
WAS
CAUGHT UP IN
A CONFLICT IN
THE BLOOD-
LINE THREE
YEARS AGO...

THE
CHILD
...



SHE KNOWS THE
SECRET OF THE WALL,
AND POSSESSES THE
RIGHT TO CHOOSE TO
SPEAK IT IN
PUBLIC.

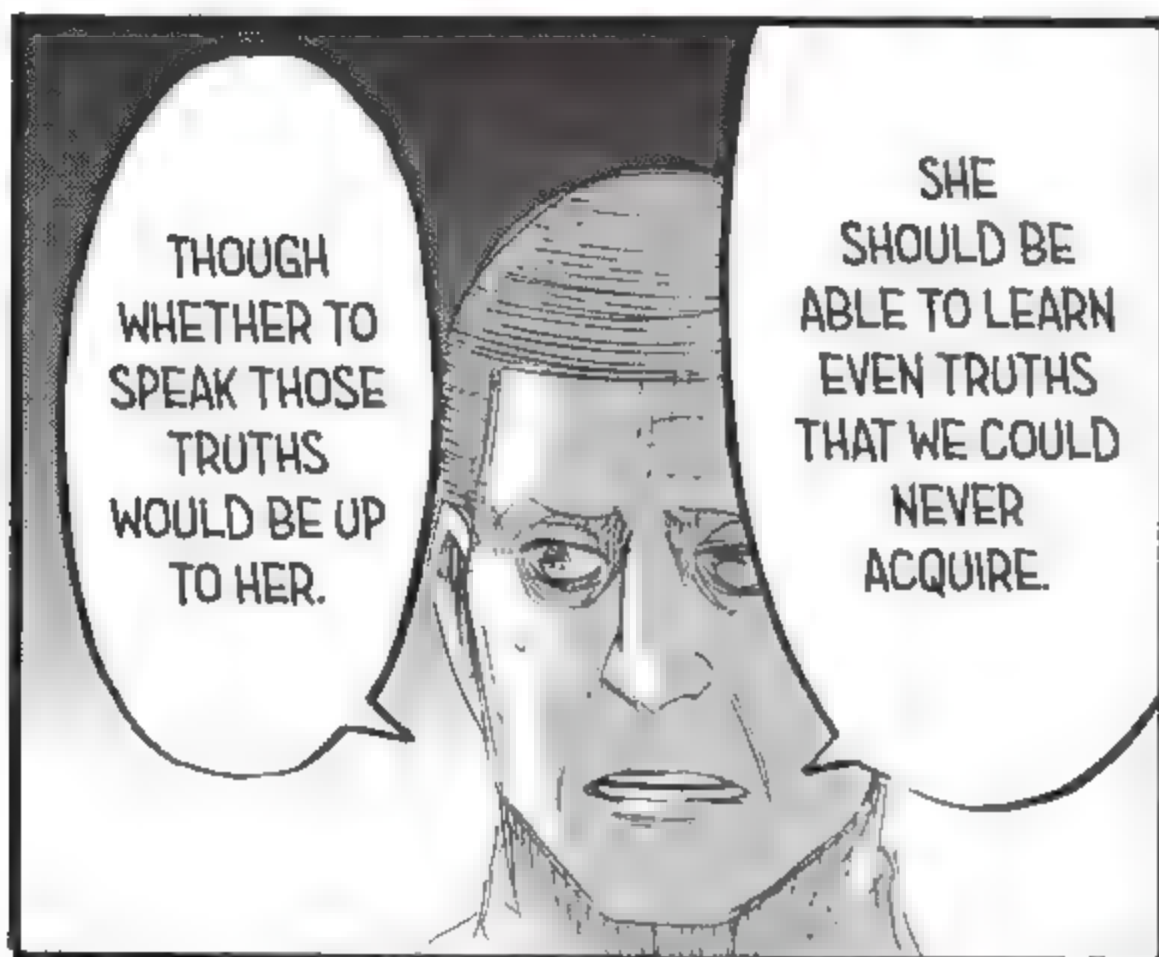
SHE
STILL HAS
NO IDEA,
BUT...



HER
NAME
IS...

!

I
HEARD
THAT SHE
ENTERED
THE
SURVEY
CORPS
THIS
YEAR.





SHE'S
THE
SMALLEST
GIRL IN
OUR
YEAR!



I STILL
DON'T KNOW
THE NAMES
OF EVERYONE
IN THE
104TH...

WAIT!



WHAT
...?



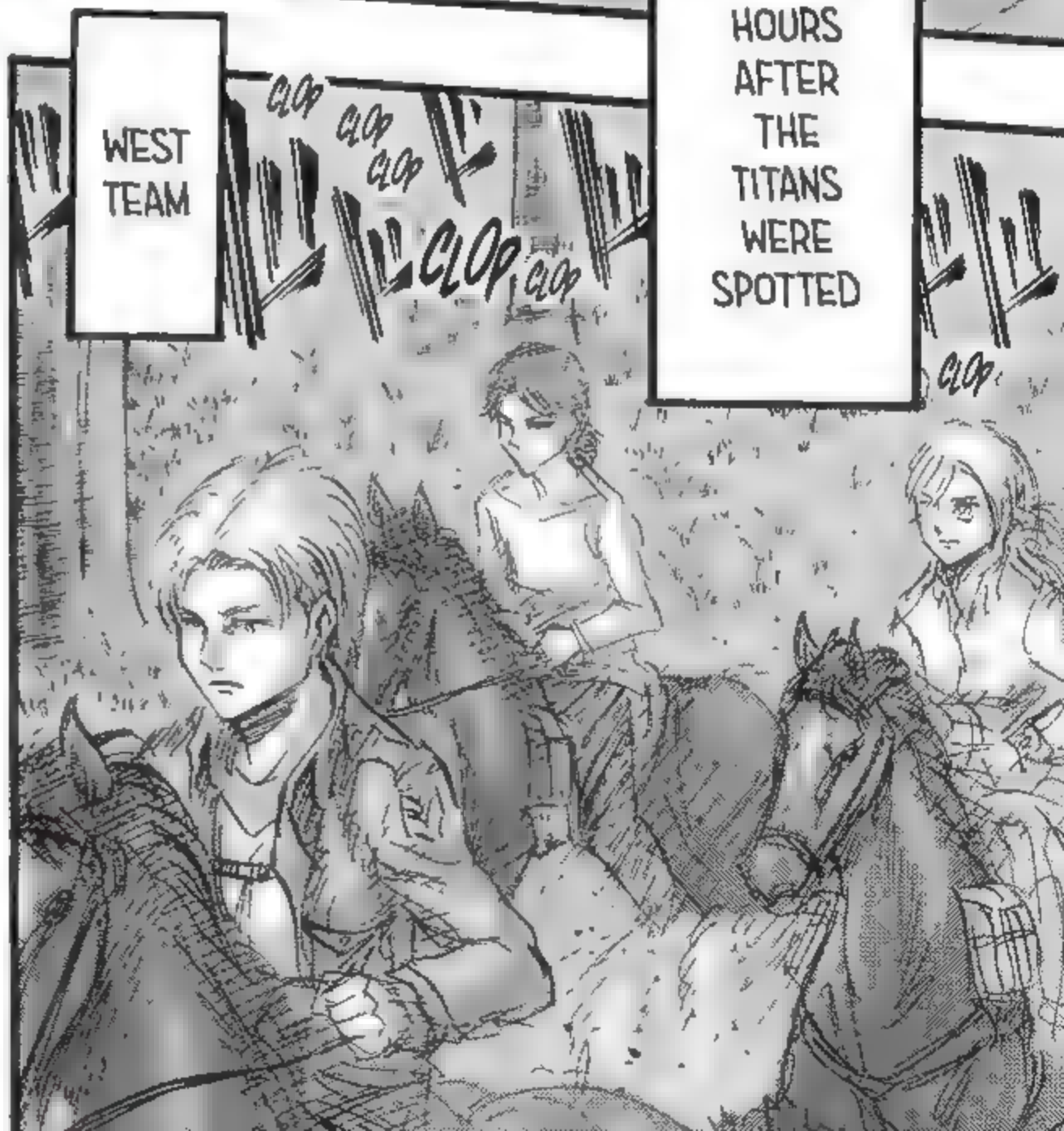
IT'S
THE GIRL
WHO'S
ALWAYS
WITH
Ymir.

ALSO...
SHE'S
CUTE!

SHE
HAS LONG
BLONDE
HAIR,
AND...
UM...



YMIR?



**WEST
TEAM**

**SEVEN
HOURS
AFTER
THE
TITANS
WERE
SPOTTED**



...



LET'S
KEEP
HEADING
SOUTH.

ALL
RIGHT
...



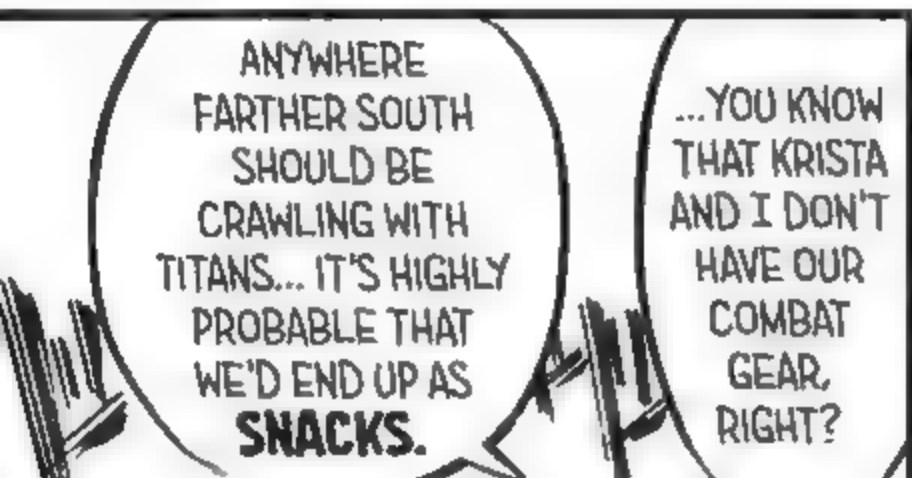
THERE
SHOULDN'T
BE ANY
PEOPLE
FARTHER
SOUTH.

...WHY
?



I SEE...
WE FINISHED
FASTER THAN I
THOUGHT WE
WOULD.

THIS AREA IS
CLOSE TO THE
WALL. THERE WON'T
BE ANY PEOPLE
LIVING AROUND
HERE.



ANYWHERE
FARTHER SOUTH
SHOULD BE
CRAWLING WITH
TITANS... IT'S HIGHLY
PROBABLE THAT
WE'D END UP AS
SNACKS.

...YOU KNOW
THAT KRISTA
AND I DON'T
HAVE OUR
COMBAT
GEAR,
RIGHT?



WE'LL
RIDE
ALONG-
SIDE IT
FROM THE
WEST AND
HAVE A
LOOK.

WE
HAVE TO
DETERMINE
WHERE THE
WALL WAS
BREACHED...

IT'D
BE FASTER
THAN
LETTING
SOUTH TEAM
DO IT
ALONE.



...PULL BACK
FROM THE
FRONT LINES
FOR NOW.

PLEASE
LET
KRISTA
AND
ME...



NO.



YMIR
?!



I
KNOW
HOW
YOU
FEEL,
BUT...

I WANT
TO HAVE
AT LEAST
ONE
MESSENGER
READY
TO GO.

WE DON'T
KNOW WHAT
COULD
HAPPEN.



EVERYTHING'S
RIDING ON
THIS EARLY
RESPONSE
MISSION...

SINCE YOU
CHOSE TO BE
SOLDIERS,
YOU NEED
TO BE
PREPARED.



BUT...



I MEAN...
I DECIDED
TO JOIN THE
SURVEY CORPS
ON MY
OWN.

YMIR... I
WANT TO
STAY HERE
AND DO
EVERYTHING
I CAN.



ARE YOU
SAYING I
JOINED
FOR YOUR
SAKE?!

HUH
?!

BE-
CAUSE
WHAT
?!



BACK
THEN... YOU
CHOSE THE
SURVEY
CORPS...

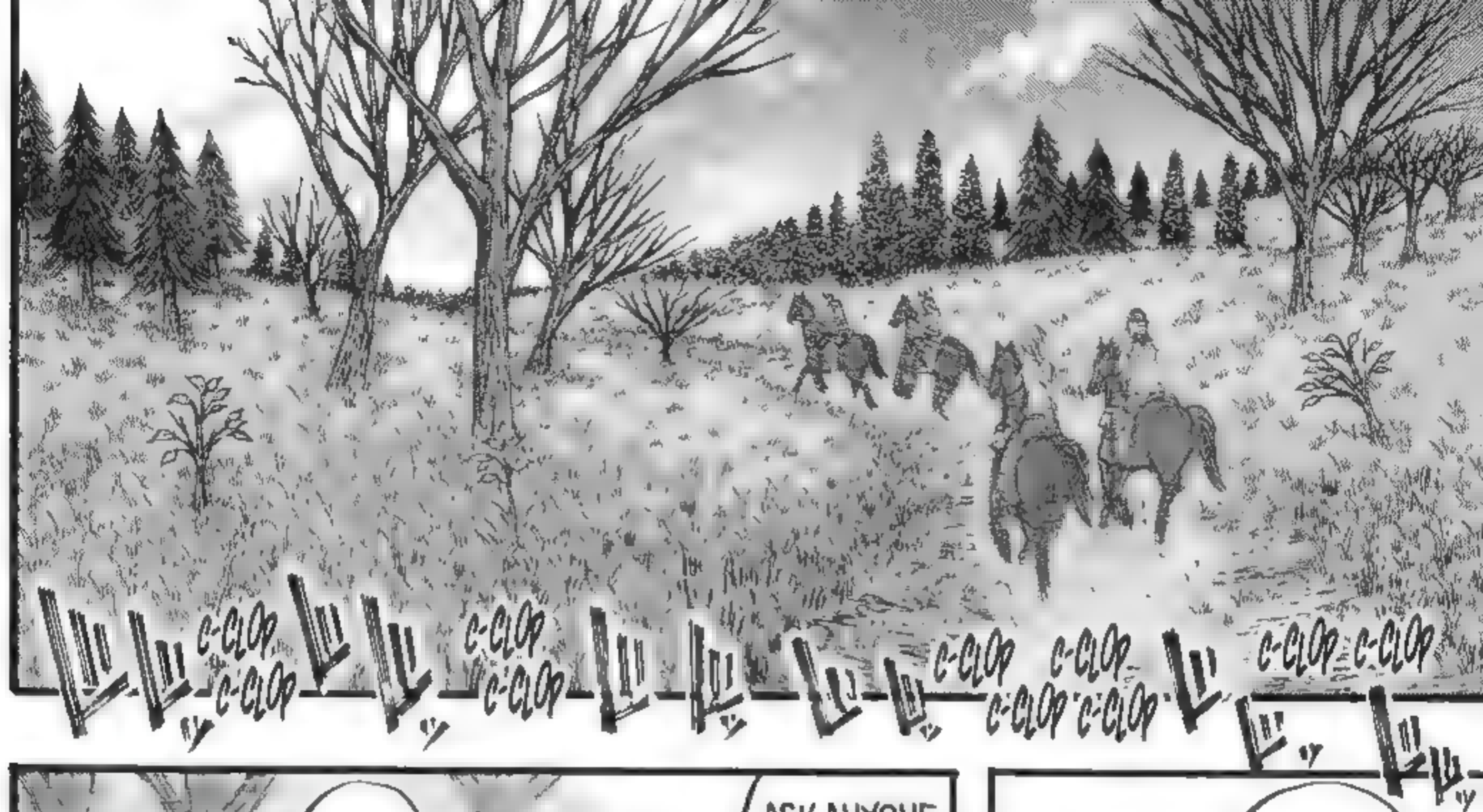
YOU
DIDN'T,
RIGHT?

BE-
CAUSE
I...



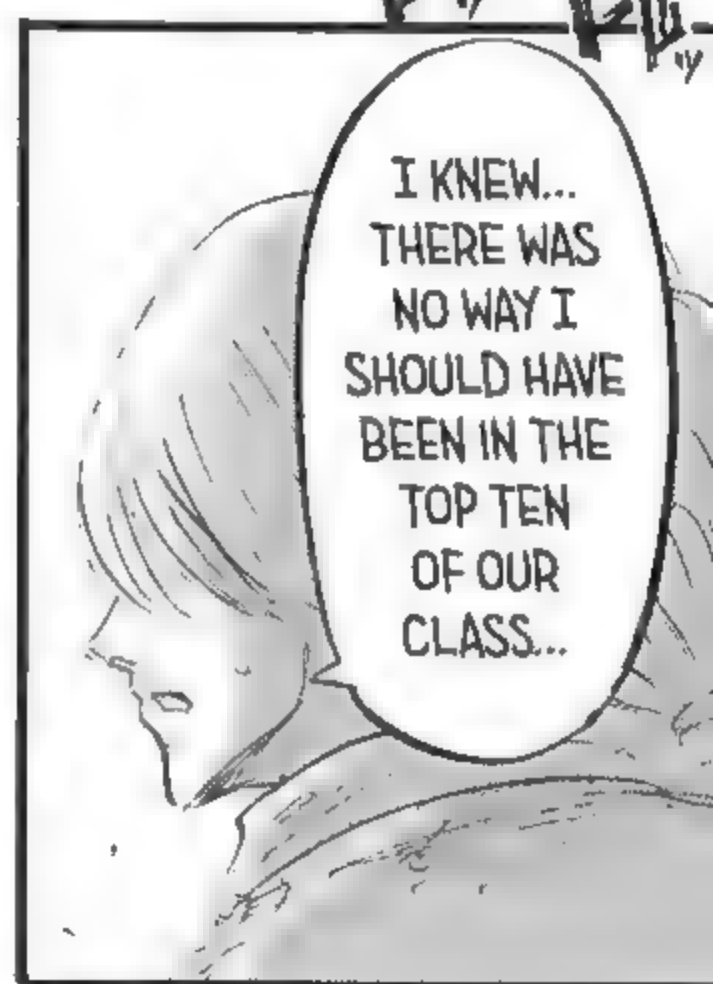
IF YOU
DON'T HAVE A
REASON, THEN
JUST START
RUNNING...

THEN WHY
ARE YOU
HERE RIGHT
NOW?

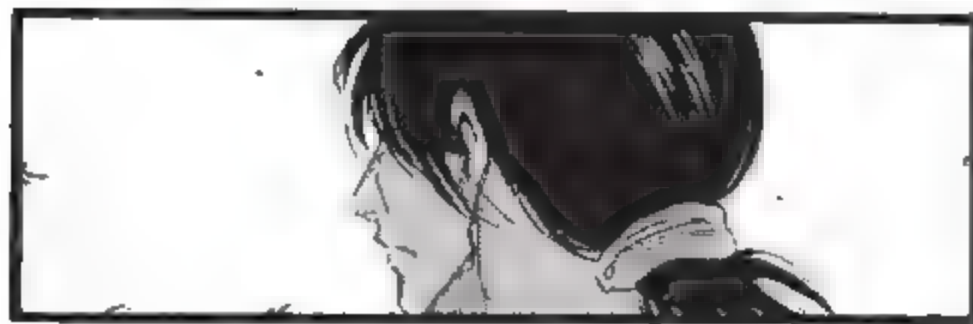


I DON'T
KNOW
HOW YOU
DID IT,
BUT...

ASK ANYONE
AND THEY'D
HAVE SAID
THAT YOU
SHOULD
HAVE BEEN
THERE
INSTEAD...



I KNEW...
THERE WAS
NO WAY I
SHOULD HAVE
BEEN IN THE
TOP TEN
OF OUR
CLASS...



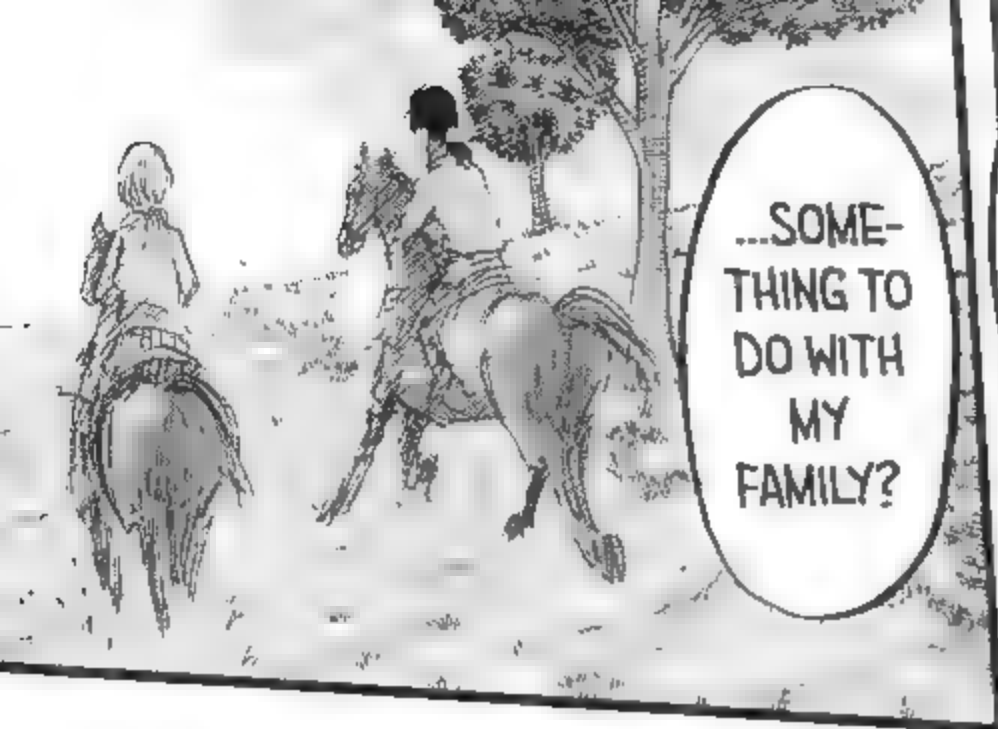
WHY
WOULD YOU
DO THAT
MUCH FOR
ME?

WHY...



OR MAYBE
YOU EVEN
TRIED TO
GIVE ME
YOUR
SPOT...

MAYBE
IT WAS YOU
CONSTANTLY
PUSHING ME
TO GO INTO
THE
MILITARY
POLICE...



...SOME-
THING TO
DO WITH
MY
FAMILY?



DOES
IT
HAVE
...



BUT
KRISTA...
DON'T
WORRY.



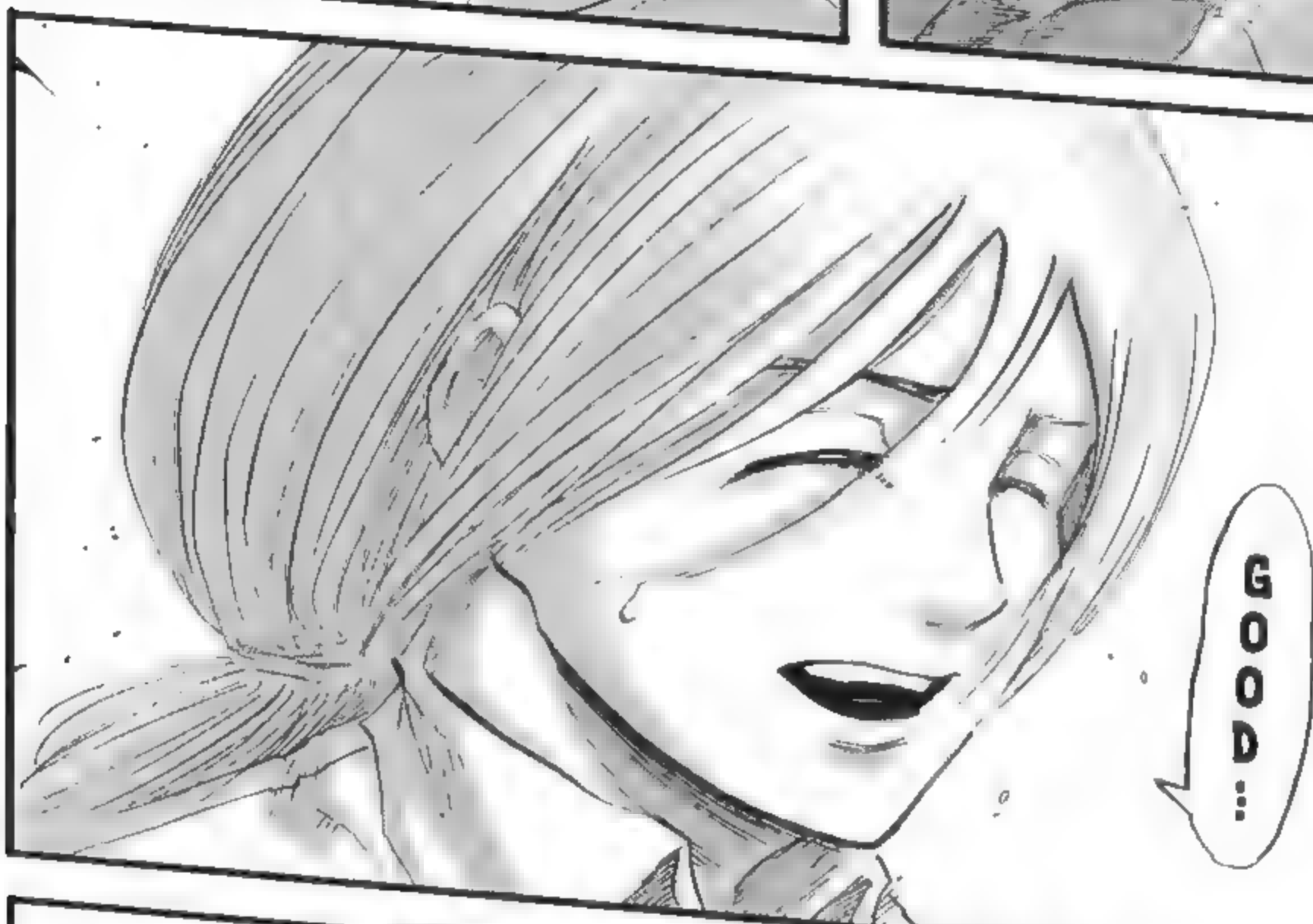
IT
DOES.

YEAH.



...FOR
MY OWN
SAKE.

I'M HERE
ENTIRELY...





SOUTH
TEAM

NINE
HOURS
AFTER
THE
TITANS
WERE
SPOTTED



CALM
DOWN
!!

CONNIE,
WAIT!!



FALL
BACK
FOR
NOW!

THERE
COULD
BE TITANS
ANY-
WHERE!



ISN'T
THERE
ANYONE
HERE...?!

ANYONE
...!

IT
CAN'T
BE...

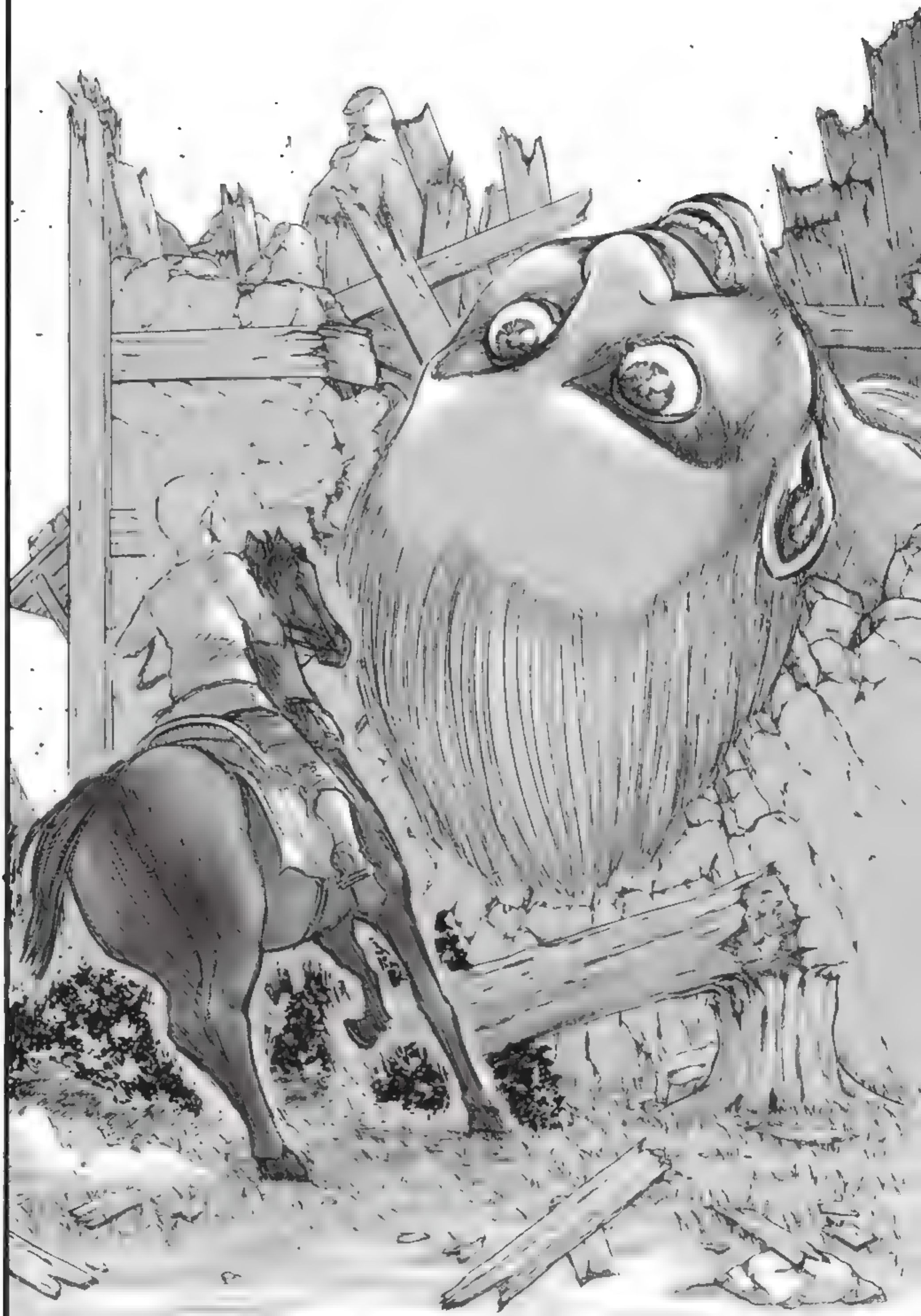


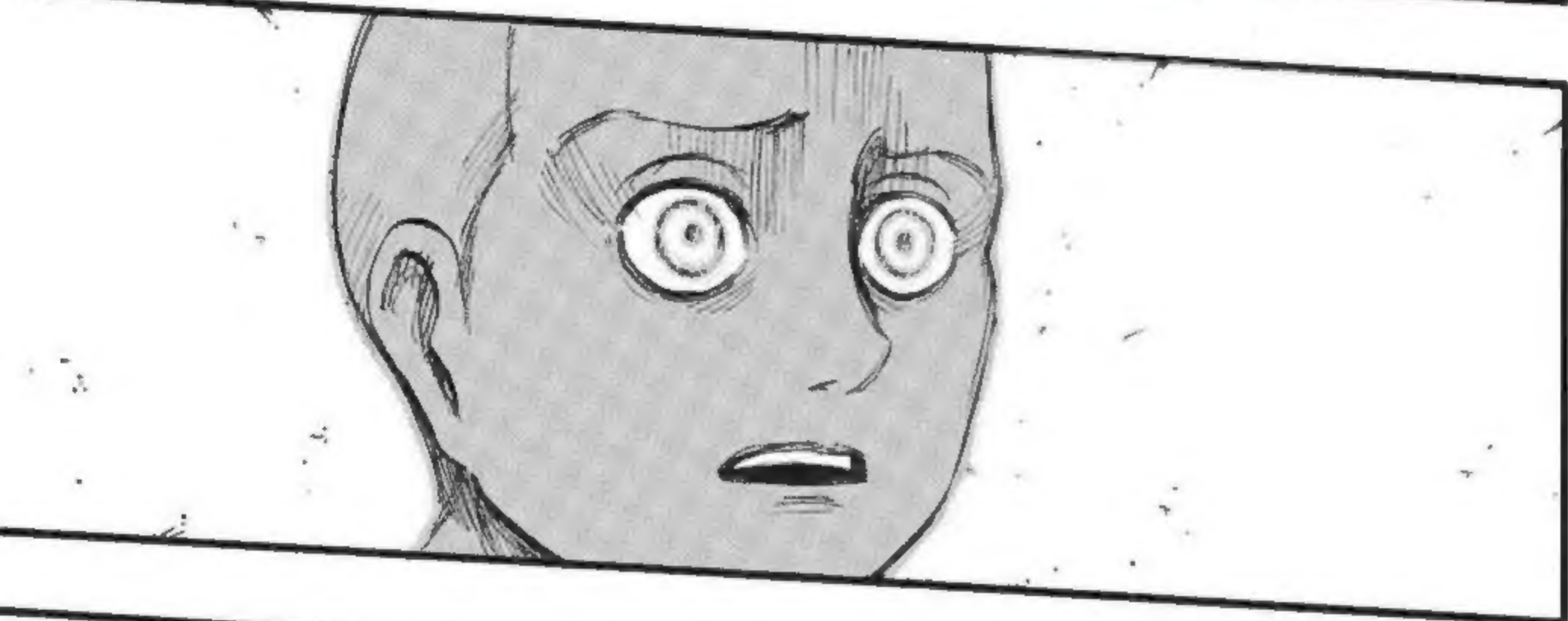
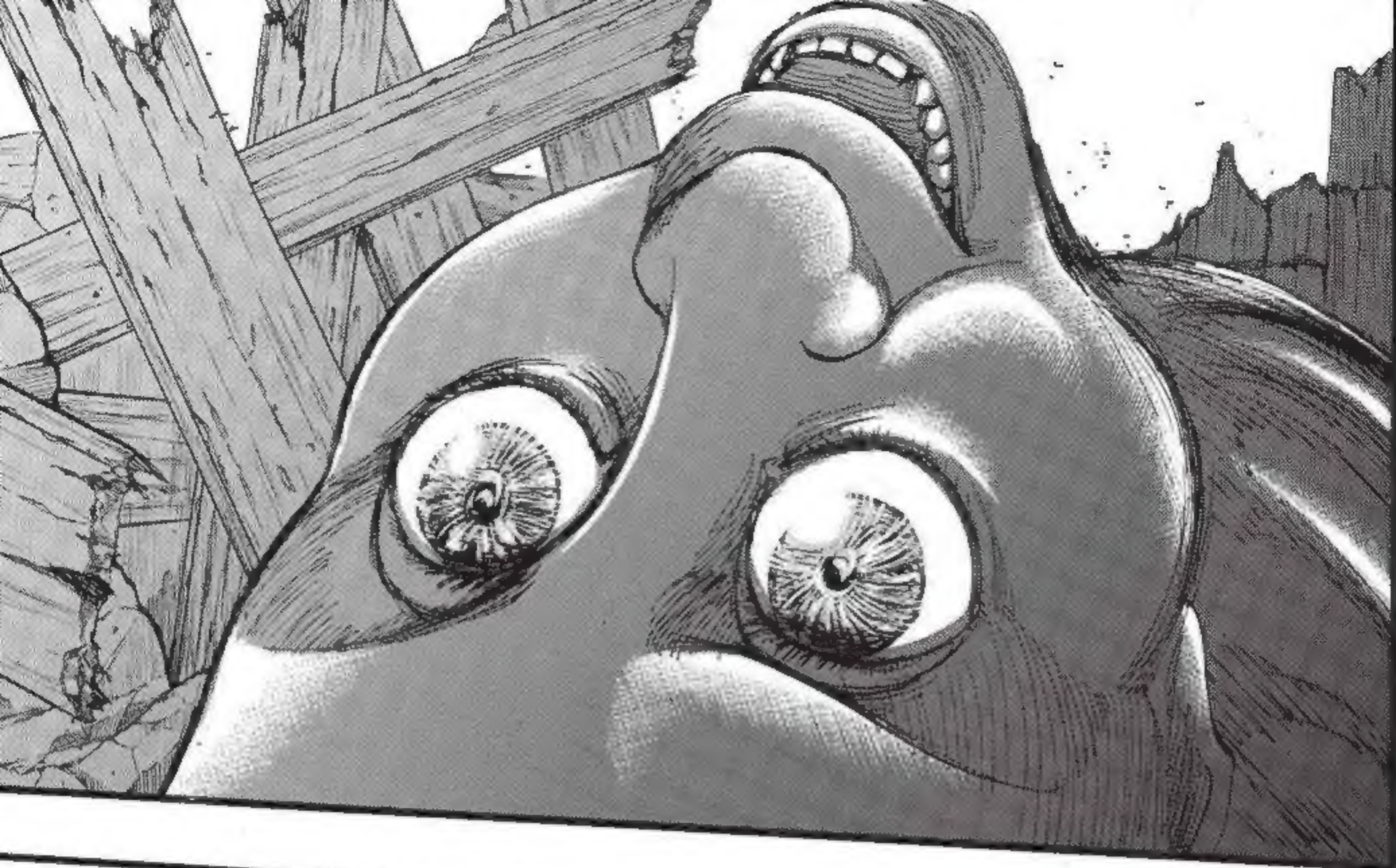
I'VE
COME
BACK
!!

C
O
N
N
I
E
!!

IT'S
ME!









...GET
HERE?!

WHOOOOSH

HOW
DID
IT...



